

# Navy Center for Innovation

## daily blog watch

Blogs relevant to naval operations/warfare, policy, and innovation are monitored for items of interest. Some items include a brief description. If you would like to recommend a blog site for inclusion, or want to be removed from the list please contact Mike Perron at: [robert.m.perron.ctr@navy.mil](mailto:robert.m.perron.ctr@navy.mil)

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### 1. WIRED: DANGER ROOM

**Navy's Next-Gen Binoculars Will Recognize Your Face:** "Take a close look, because the next generation of military binoculars are being developed to scan and recognize your face from more than 650 feet away."

### 2. MMOWGLI BLOG (NPS)

**em2 MMOWGLI is underway using your game power**: (Naval Postgraduate School's blog for the "Electromagnetic Maneuver Massive Multiplayer Online Wargame Leveraging the Internet." The game is now being played and is open to all .mil registrants – ed.) "As Yogi Berra said, 'When you come to a fork in the road... take it.' These two plans are beginning to examine strikingly different approaches to their visualization of EM Maneuver operations. Both are likely needed, but can they work together?"

### 3. NAVY CENTER FOR INNOVATION

**Steve Jobs, Junior Leaders, and Innovation:** "In following Steve Jobs' preference for paring down his message to three main points, Husick's newsletter presents three lessons one can learn from the career of Jobs."

### 4. OTHER BLOGS (Rotating, based on relevant content)

#### BROOKINGS

**China's Marathon is India's Triathlon:** "Regardless of the difficulty of tracking the triathlon, it is important to look at more than just the economic race India is running. Investors looking for short-term returns might be focused on just that race, but neither Indians nor those who want it to really win should."

#### BUSINESS INSIDER

**The US Has Been Involved In These Wars For Nearly Half Its Existence [INFOGRAPHIC]:** "The U.S. has a long history of armed conflict and the Best Liberal Art Colleges released this infographic, breaking down the battles, the cost, and the duration of each. It's a handy and concise look at a long and complex history of armed conflict."

#### CENTER FOR NEW AMERICAN SECURITY

**The Challenge of Chinese Revisionism: The Expanding Role of China's Non-Military Maritime Vessels:** "Recent actions by China's non-military law enforcement vessels pose one of the most immediate threats to peace and stability in the Asia-Pacific region."

#### CNN SECURITY CLEARANCE

**Five things to know about North Korea's planned nuclear test:** "North Korea's plans for a new nuclear test, like most things that happen inside the reclusive state, are shrouded in mystery. But that's not stopping analysts and officials from making some informed guesses about what's going on."

**Monkey mistrust:** "(Mahmoud's) comments, made in jest, came a week after the state's semi-official Fars News Agency said Iran had "sent a monkey to the orbit, brought it back to the Earth and retrieved the animal and the relevant data successfully." Meantime, several Iranian news organizations sought to explain why there appeared to be two different monkeys portrayed by the press."

## **CENTER FOR STRATEGIC AND BUDGETARY ASSESSMENTS (CSBA)**

[Hackers: The Next American G.I. Joes?](#): “As the Pentagon seeks to vastly expand its cyber warfare efforts, experts and hackers warn that hackers who have the skills to wage this war are not a good fit for America’s straight-laced military culture. In short, potential soldiers in cyber warfare break the military mold.”

## **FOREIGN POLICY**

[Uncle Spam Wants You!](#): “Can the U.S. military find a few thousand good hackers?”

[The Force of Tomorrow](#): “The Army’s top general on the future of war.”

## **IN HOMELAND SECURITY**

[US/UK Increasing Presence in West Africa](#): “With the current French led military operations in Mali, however, Washington is looking for a central, more permanent solution that meets the challenges endemic to the region. As such, the U.S. has reportedly struck a deal with Niger allowing for the creation of an airbase that would accommodate unmanned aerial vehicles for reconnaissance work.”

## **THE NAVAL DIPLOMAT**

[Not Rising, But Rejuvenating: The “Chinese Dream”](#): “Failure to understand its meaning will thus heighten the chances for misunderstanding, with potentially devastating consequences for all parties involved.”

[China’s People Problem](#): “China has already begun to see the consequences of a smaller labor force and the end of the demographic dividend.”

## **WIRED MAGAZINE (OTHER)**

[Listen to a Solar Flare Drown Out Radio Communications on Earth](#): “The recording above comes from either a short wave radio station or a Ham radio transmission, said amateur radio astronomer Thomas Ashcraft, who works with NASA’s Radio JOVE project. It’s interesting to hear the voices get “swallowed up as the solar wave passes through,” he added in an e-mail to Wired.”

## **5. FROM THE READERS**

### **RUSSIAN MILITARY REFORM**

[The Russian Navy’s role in the Mediterranean](#): “The navy has conducted exercises in the Med pretty much annually since 2008. The fact that this is the largest is in part a reaction to the geopolitical circumstances in the region and in part an indication that the Russian navy is gradually gaining confidence and increasing its capabilities.”